GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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PENDING PROJECTS OF NHPC
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several sanctioned projects of National Hydro Power Corporation (NHPC) are awaiting environmental clearance;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the environmental clearance takes undue time adversely affecting the viability of projects;

(d) if so, whether there is a proposal to make clearance time bound; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a)&(b) Only one project of National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) namely Parbati Hydroelectric Project Stage-II in Kull district of Himachal Pradesh is awaiting environmental clearance.

(c)(d) & (e) As per the provisions of EIA notification, 1994 and its subsequent amendments,decision on a proposal for environment clearance is required to be taken within 90 days from the date of receipt of all requisite information .